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IN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW PUBLISHED MARCH 27 WITH ETIENNE MALLARDE OF
LEFTIST DAILY COMBAT, SENEGALESE PRESIDENT SENGHOR REPLIED TO
QUESTION

WHETHER SENEGAL GOING TO BREAK RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL AS DEMANDED
BY RECENT PAN- ISLAMIC CONFERENCE AT BENGHAZI. SENGHOR SAID HE
WOULD NOT ALLOW ANYONE TO DICTATE SENETAL' S FOREIGN POLICY.
SOLUTION TO MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM COULD NOT BE FOUND IN BREAKING
WITH ISRAEL. SENGHOR ADDED THAT SINCE NASSER' S TIME EGYPT HAD
CHOSEN A POLICY OF PEACE THROUGH DIALOGUE, AND SENETAL WOULD FAVOR
THE ADVENT OF SUCH A DIALOGUE SENEGAL HAD ASKED ISRAEL TO SAY
THAT IT WOULD NOT ANNEX ANY TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN 1967.
ON THIS POINT, HE CONCLUDED AS ON SENEGAL' S OWN INDEPENDENCE HIS
GOVERNMENT WAS " UNSHADABLE."

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